

Subject: U.S. Continental Congress bill, 1776

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Gentlemen

When dismantling my old home, occupied for seventy years by my parents, and containing many things handed down by my grandparents - there were seventeen trunks, full, in the attic - I found many interesting old coins, gold, silver, copper, and paper money. One bill appears to have been issued by the Continental Congress in New York, in 1776.

Some one familiar with the subject should see this collection. I have no fancy for the tender Mercies of a dealer or collector.

Would you be interested? Is there an impartial authority here? What do you advise? I have, also, about a bushel of old letters from 1795 to 1870 - before stamps were used, and after.  
Yours truly M. S. Green



May 14th, 1925

Mr. M. S. Green  
4408 Ellis Avenue  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of May 12th, it is absolutely impossible to tell you anything about your coins without first seeing them, as condition plays so large a part.

The piece of paper money, which you describe, is virtually worthless. However, there may be other pieces of paper money worth anywhere from ten cents to a dollar. The old coins may or may not have any premium. It is likely that a few, however, may be worth something. We are in no position to appraise these items for you, and would suggest your getting in touch with the St. Louis Coin & Stamp Co., 115 North 11th St. St. Louis, Mo., or Mr. Thomas L. Elder, 9 East 35th Street, New York. There is no one in Chicago whom we can recommend.

Many of your old letters may be of value. Do not attempt to tear the stamps off, as in many instances the entire cover will fetch more than the single stamp. Those without stamps have a slight value. If you care to send us more details, we shall be glad to advise you further.

Very truly yours,

Curator